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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

Do not allow an un-American, elitist, uncompetitive, monopolistic internet environment. It will discourage American innovation and depress the American economy.

Democracy depends on the free movement and expression of ideas. In addition to being a change that will lead to economic and technological stagnation, this will stifle the freedoms Americans take expect as part of a constitutional democracy, online or offline.

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